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Soldiers.

I think affords the most beauliful sights. Steep mountain sides covered with many different colors of glossy green, with here and there a giant tree overspreading a great deal of ground, and quite often a huge boulder, with living shrubs springing from crevices deep fertile valleys with many a native's thatched cottage dotting the hillside, clouds floating on the tops of the higher elevations, and many other things which make it a most beautiful and inspiring sight.

As to the towns I have not much to say. At a distance they look very bright and lively. Colors of paint on the houses give them a rather gay appearance, but on closer inspections the openness of everything and the lack of arrangement, etc., and many other things which we would characterize as slovenly at home, yet here is custom, make one feel a sort of aversion for the place.

Arroyo is a place of about 1,200 popula-

cuits. Then the rest of our battalion ollowed by another battery and then nore infantry.

The mountains were almost a natural ortress, which any fifty determined men could hold against a regiment. But the Spanish soldlers seem to have creater faith in the strength of a block-touse than in natural forts, so we found hem behind entrenchments surrounding a large blockhouse, about four miles rom Guayama. The battery prepared or action and a line of battle was orned. Just as we were getting into tan orderly came galloping up to say hat peace had been declared and all ighting must stop. Of course we were see, but we had to go back. We went nto camp on a high hill about a mile utside of Guayama and here we are vailing for the next move. Most of he boys hope the next thing is to go some, for they are tired of making igns and hearing Spanish jabbering. I tope we will go back through Newport Yews, for I should like to see our kind riends. We have no idea when we will go home, but hope it will be soon.

each being sent to the United States each year.

A great deal of wine of a high grade is made here annually and from 250 to 500 casks of bay rum are exported to the United States each year.

There are three or four nice homes here, mostly French and a small but pretty church with two speres.

The cemeteries in the island tell more of the customs of the people, I mean of the customs of the people, I mean of the age from which the customs were taken and one does not have to look at one long to come to the conclusion at one long to come to the conclusion the indele ages. The bodies are laid in grantle and marble tombs, built above ground, and some of them are exquisite in design and worksmanship, and many of the older ones are cracking from age

Lineman's Narrow Escape from Death.

NEARLY ELECTROCUTED

The sergeant and Detective Heck at once started in pursuit of the negroes and at the junction the sergeant secured a horse. When the negroes sighted the officers they broke and ran but Sergeant Reynolds overhauled them and compelled them to stop at the point of a revolver.

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Last evening Lewis Birdson, a negro who was held up and robb d some time since, went to the city jail and identified Stubs and Mayfield as the men who robbed him. The other colored man also identified the prisoners.

## WILL BEGIN WORK TUESDAY.

Construction of the Mammoth Dry Doel to Commerce This Week.

Work on the maumoth dry dock, which Mr. Collis P. Huntington will build at the shipyard at a cost of \$1.000,000, will be commenced Tuesday.

The dock would have been well under way but for the war, which made it difficult to get material. However, several large shipments of material have arrived and the work can be pushed. The plans for the basin were prepared by General Manager Walter A. Post, and when completed it will be the largest dry dock in America, probably in the world.

The Kintergarten School, which was held over the New York Tea Store, will be opened again Sept. 12th. For information apply to C. M. JENKINS. Box 373, Newport News, Va. 1t

they sent up a cheer when the Louise crossed the line.

The trim little yacht Louise is owned by Mr. Wiliam McCulley, and the ideal is the pride of the Ideal Yacht Stub.

Work on the foundation for the new copper shop to be built for the Newoprt News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company, will be commenced Monday morning.

The large amount of work in view necessated the building of a new capper shop as well as other structures that will go up in the near future in consequence of the increased activity at the vard.

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The new building will be 175 by 56 feet and will be the best appointed of its kind in the country. In fact none of the new buildings soon to be started will have their equal at any of the American shipyards.

La Crande Duchesse.

The report that the Plant Line Steamer La Grande Duchesse, which is now being used by the government as a transport, has been disabled is without foundation. Mr. W. A. Post, general manager of the shipyard, received a telegram yesterday from New York, in which it was stated that La Grande Duchesse was in first-class condition. The steamer will arrive here some time this week to be fitted up for her regular coastwise run between Savannah and New York.

WANTED—At the Virginia Cleaning and Dying Establishment, 85 suits of clothes every day to be cleaned, dyed, pressed and repaired, and made to look like new. 3105 Washington avery mosquito. FRED F. ALLEN & aug-10-14

## THE NEWS OF BERLIN

Peace Conditions Discussed by the Press.

## HIGH PRAISE FOR AMERICA

As Taylor was on the outside for nearly 21-2 laps, it was easily seen that he rode more than a mile in the time, and shrewd judges who watched the race said that he would surely do better on the third attempt. That he fully justified this belief goes without saying. The Welsh rider was as pale as a corpse when he jumped off his wheel, and he had no excuse to make for his defeat.

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Taylor's performance undoubtedly stamps him as the premier cycle sprinter of the world, and, judging from the staying qualities he exhibited in the six days' ride in the Madison Square Garden, the middle distance championship may be his before the end of the present season.

The weather conditions could not have been more perfect, as there was only a slight wind, and it did not returd the speed of the riders in the slightest degree.

The American Cycle Racing Association induced Tom Linton, off Wales, to postpone his departure for England today, and Michael and he have been matched for an hour race, with unlimited pace, for a purse of \$2,000-\$1500 to go to the winner and the remainder to the loser. The race will take place at the Manhattan Beach track on Labor Day, September 5.

Persons who can board and lodge visitors during the firemen's convention are requested to fill out a blank found in the advertising columns and send it it to P. O. box 163.

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been examined for promotion last week, but owing to his duties he could not go before the board. It was ordered that his record be examined to see if that would entitle him to the highest rank. The board says:

"The board join with all the world in admiring the skill, courage and galiant conduct of Assistant Naval Constructor Richmond P. Hobson, in connection with the Merrimac, as set forth in the letter of the commanding officer of the North Atlantic stations."

The report then refers to the various papers submitted in connection with a recommedation that he be promoted to naval constructor.

## FIVE YEARS FOR DUNCAN. Heavy Sentence for the Man Who Des-

Heavy Sentence for the Man Who Desecrated a Confederate Grave.

CAMP MCADE, MIDDLETOWN.
PA., Aug. 27.—The courtmartial in the case of Dr. Duncan, of the Twenty-second Kansas regiment, found him guilty of desecrating the grave of a Confederate officer at the Bull Run battefield, and he was sentenced last evening to imprisonment of five years, LEXINGTON, KY, Aug. 21.—There is current a story which many here believe that Cassius M. Clay has filed at Richmond, Ky., a petition for divorce from his child-wife, Dora Richardson. At Richmond and at the home of Mr. Clay the rumor cannot be verified.

New Jall for Warwick County. The "Free State of Warwick" will have a new jail. At a recent meeting of the board of supervisors steps were taken looking to the erection of a new prison. The jail now in use is old and insecure.

# PICERS PROMOTED. She as Manila Rewarded OFF FOR A VACATION

President Lays Aside the Cares of Office.

NSPECTS CAMP MEADE

Canton to pass a day at their old home then return to Cleveland and leave there Friday for New York, reaching there that evening. The President will visit the camp at Montauk Pelnt on Saturday and return to Washington that evening. The McKinley home here was placed in direct telephonic communication with Washington this afternoon and the President has, though among the Somerset hills, the great affairs that are engaging his attention within calling distance.

FIVE PERSONS KILLED.
WARE, MASS., Aug. 27.—A railroad train on the Boston and Maine railroad struck a buckboard at Whiting's Crossing tonight and killed five members of a piensure party. The killed are: GEORGE WHITING, aged 59.
JESSE WHITING, 18.
SADLE WHITING, 20.
A BOY, not identified.
The seriously hurt are: Harold Rich, 18; John Scott, 6.
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WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—Governor
Tanner, of Illinois, was at the War Department today and as a result of a
talk with him Adjutant General Corbin
issued orders to muster out the First,
Fifth and seventh Illinois.
WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—The following volunteer regiments were today
ordered to be mustered out of the servlee: The First and Fifth Missourt, now
at Chickamauga, and the Third Missouri, now at Middiletown, Pa., will go
to Jefferson Barracks, Mo. The 159th
indiana, now at Middiletown, will go to
Indianapolis. The Eighth New York,
now at Chickamauga, will go to Hempstead, L. L.

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Interesting Letters Written by

GEM OF THE ANTILLES

tet under cover the enemy opened fire, wounding seven of the Ohio soldiers. The Ohio boys held their own as soon as they got under cover, and, although mable to retreat or advance, they nanaged to stay there until we arrived to help them. On the morning of the 18th we started out to Cheye. One-bat. For our battallon was in the adrance, followed by a battery of thirteen curst. Then the rest of our battallon, ollowed by another battery and then more infantry.

make one feel a sort of aversion for the place. Arroyo is a place of about 1,200 popula-tion, and its industries are the raising of cane and making sugar and molas-ses, several thousand hogsheads of each being sent to the United States each year sent

New Copper Shop.